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## Quick Facts

- Rembert will aid in the curriculum development of a new Master of Social Work degree, which will become available in fall 2006.
- A tenured professor of social work, Rembert also will focus on teaching public policy and macro practice courses and help in the preparation for the department's reaccreditation process.

ROCK HILL, S.C. - **Wilhelmenia Rembert**, Winthrop University's associate vice president for Graduate Studies, plans to return to the university's **Department of Social Work** beginning in January.

There she will aid in the curriculum development of a new **Master of Social Work (MSW) degree**, which will become available in fall 2006. A tenured professor of social work, Rembert also will focus on teaching public policy and macro practice courses and help in the preparation for the department's reaccreditation process.

"Winthrop is blessed to have had Dr. Rembert's leadership in Graduate Studies for the last 12 years, and we know she will make significant and lasting contributions to the Social Work Department and the new MSW program," said **Tom Moore, vice president for academic affairs**.

**Rembert** has worked at Winthrop for 26 years and has led the **Graduate Studies office** since 1993. "When I looked at where my commitment and interests are now and in the future, they are increasingly with public service," she said. "The addition of the MSW program creates a timely opportunity, greater flexibility, and a good fit for me to return to the Department of Social Work."

**Rembert** is finishing her first term as an at-large member on the Mecklenburg County Commission where she is vice chair. In this capacity, she also chairs the Education Liaison Committee and is a member of the Effective and Efficient Government Committee, the Economic Development Committee, the Youth & Family Services Committee and the Mecklenburg County Area Mental Health Financial Rules Committee. She previously served on the Charlotte-Mecklenburg Board of Education for five years.

"I appreciate the opportunity for greater flexibility to match my civic and professional interests beginning this spring," she said of Winthrop administrators. "I have a debt of gratitude for the time I have been able to serve in multiple roles at the University. This move will better prepare me for what I hope to be doing in the future."

**Rembert** has a long history of community service in Charlotte. She serves and/or has served in leadership capacities with the Charlotte-Mecklenburg Development Corporation, Charlotte Chamber Board of Directors, Charlotte-Mecklenburg Arts and Sciences Council Board of Directors, Mecklenburg County Human Services Council, Mecklenburg County Juvenile Services Board, Mecklenburg Council for Adolescent Pregnancy Board and others.

At Winthrop, Rembert has filled in as acting dean of the **College of Education** and as chair of the **Social Work Department**. She earned a bachelor's degree in sociology from Winthrop in 1972, holds a master's degree in social work from the University of South Carolina and a Ph.D. in child development from the University of North Carolina-Greensboro.

Vice President Moore will initiate the process for finding a successor for Rembert in Graduate Studies.

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